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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

Motoo KOYAMA, et al.

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For: OPTICAL APPARATUS, EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND EXPOSURE METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please enter the amended claim 8, with the remaining claims 1-7, and 9-20 unchanged.

The following amendment and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claim 8 as follows:

8. (ONCE AMENDED) Optical apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the following relation is satisfied:

$$0.05 \leq \Delta \lambda / \lambda,$$

where λ is a center wavelength of said predetermined wavelength band and $\Delta \lambda$ is a width of said predetermined wavelength band.

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